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Attachments: REPLY to Office Action of November 16, 2005

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Sir:

In reply to the Office action of November 16, 2005, it is respectfully requested that the following remarks be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above-identified application:

R E M A R K S

Claims 1 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 to 15 as presented by applicants with their request for continued examination dated October 25, 2005, are currently pending in this case. Claims 1 to 4, 6 to 8 and 10 stand rejected and Claims 11 to 15 stand withdrawn from consideration.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1 to 4, 6 and 10 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable in light of the teaching of *Jorgensen et al.* (US 6,113,862) and Claims 7 and 8 as being unpatentable in light of the teaching of *Jorgensen et al.* (ibid.) when taken in view of the disclosure of *Lubbock* (US 2,636,712).

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